

**EXCERPT FROM "THE GREAT GATSBY" BY F. SCOTT FITZGERALD**

<b>ENGLISH TEST</b>		
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**Read the text carefully.**

Many teens start smoking because they have friends or older brothers and sisters who do. Some teens look at smoking as a way to get through their stress, or other difficult social situations. Smoking gives them something to do with their hands and makes them feel like an adult.

Others believe that it is a way to help them relax when they are stressed out because of activities, responsibilities or family problems.

The author told us people start smoking because of stress or want to make others think they are old.

They may start by asking for cigarettes at an event or at a party, and then go to the store to buy more. Some teens believe they don't get enough sleep. They get up the morning for cigarettes first thing in the morning, at work, or during any social time. They are stressed, feel physically and psychologically.

**A. Find the synonym of the following words in the text.**

**4 POINTS**

1. Friends \_\_\_\_\_
2. Believed (L1) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Stress (L2) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Believed (L3) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Answer the following questions in the text.**

**3 POINTS**

1. Why do many teens start smoking?  
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2. How do teenagers start smoking?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Do people start to become stressed when they start smoking?  
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